



**Parish of Wiverton in the Vale:  
One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures**

**Notices 26<sup>th</sup> July – 8<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**TRINITY 7 & TRINITY 8**



**St Andrew's church, Langar**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July & Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August  
3pm – 5pm**

**St Giles' church, Cropwell Bishop**

**each Monday  
10.30am – 12.30pm**

**All Saints church, Granby**

**Coming soon**

## DIARY FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS

For reasons of online security, we are no longer publishing Zoom links in the newsletter or on our website. Please contact Revd Rachel if you would like to receive these links by email. ([rector@wivertoninthevale.co.uk](mailto:rector@wivertoninthevale.co.uk))

### SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**10.30am – Pause for Prayer and Reflection** (on our website)

The service this Sunday will be led by Revd Rachel, Katharine will be preaching, Edward will be leading the intercessions, Julie Coles will be reading and Dorothy will be leading sung worship.

Please [click here](#) to join the service at 10.30am (or later).

[www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/ppr](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/ppr)

**11.30am – Time for a Cuppa** (via Zoom)

Please join us for a cuppa after the service which is now starting at 11.30am. There should still be plenty of time to grab a drink first...

**3pm-5pm – St Andrew’s Langar, open for private prayer**

Measures are in place to protect you and keep you safe, including strict hygiene measures and a one-way system. Please follow the written instructions as to where you may sit: there will be signs to direct you.

### MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

All are invited to parish prayers via Zoom on Mondays and Fridays

**10.30am-12.30pm – St Giles’ Cropwell Bishop, open for private prayer**

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### WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**7.30pm – Alpha** (via Zoom)

Alpha is an 11-week course that creates a space where people are excited to bring their friends for a conversation about faith, life and God. Please contact Rachel and Sid on 07944 992178 for more details.



## **FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY**

**9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

All are invited to parish prayers via Zoom on Mondays and Fridays

## **SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST**

**10.30am – Pause for Prayer and Reflection** (on our website)

The service this Sunday will be led by Sid, Revd Rachel will be preaching, Peter & Helen Hills will be leading the intercessions, Hilary will be reading and Dorothy will be leading sung worship.

Please [click here](#) to join the service at 10.30am (or later).

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## **MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST**

**9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

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**10.30am-12.30pm – St Giles' Cropwell Bishop open for private prayer**

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## **WEDNESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**7.30pm – Alpha** (via Zoom)

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## **FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

**9.00am – All Parish Morning Prayer** (via Zoom)

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## FROM THE RECTORY

### 'Troubling Times?' by Edward Hine

*Troubling times indeed. Our country is suffering from big structural changes in the economy which is seeing serious issues in our cities with poor accommodation, excessive drinking of alcohol and social unrest. Lifestyles are changing from the traditional to a more modern way which is seeing unprecedented change in how people work and live. Numbers in church are down and religion does not seem to have the central place in everyone's lives that it used to. People are losing their faith and their way.*

Possibly you might relate to the first paragraph and recognise the UK now but actually it reflects England in the mid-18<sup>th</sup> Century. We are past the Civil War and Oliver Cromwell's Commonwealth with the monarchy re-established. But as the 18<sup>th</sup> Century draws on we come into the beginning of the Industrial Revolution which sees migration away from the countryside to the cities, breaking with the traditional way of life and loosening the authority and influence of the church.

The church was fairly well set in its ways, but the country was changing around it and this led to the Great Awakening led by evangelists like John & Charles Wesley and George Whitfield. The established church was very much 'high church', traditional, and very much part of the social hierarchy that dominated the country at the time. The Evangelists took a different approach encouraging people to have a personal relationship with Christ through bible reading and regular prayer. Apparently John Wesley preached just about every day and on more than one occasion as he crossed the country on horseback whilst other vicars with a good living may not have had to preach at all!

Not only did they have a new message, but they also had new hymns such as Amazing Grace, Love Divine and When I Survey the Wondrous Cross. Not bad for 'new hymns'! This was what started the Great Awakening which boosted numbers at church and so by 1851 the census recorded that of the 18m people in the country over 7m went to church and many, more than once!

There have been other church revivals and in the past, faith has been somewhat cyclical. Are we about to witness another church revival? Possibly! In the Industrial Revolution the world changed very significantly and it has changed even more quickly with the IT revolution of the last 10-15 years.

We worry that there are not many children or families in our congregations, but the world has changed significantly since we went to Sunday School. Who would have thought at Christmas that we would be having services online? Judging from the numbers it looks like significantly more people are joining the services online than used to come to church. Interesting!

Rachel and Sid are running an Alpha Course online which has started very well with attendees with an average age of around their 30's as opposed to when we ran them last decade it was more like 60's. Interesting!

So are we going to see a church revival post Covid-19? The right conditions & circumstances are there. Everyone has had to reevaluate their priorities, and many may see the world from a different perspective now. People have had more time to think. As a church we have learnt how to reach out differently and successfully. But the answer really comes down to us and I feel that, at least in our villages and surrounding areas, we have the platform, infrastructure, people and leadership to grow God's Kingdom Wider, Younger, Deeper. It has happened before!

If comparison is the thief of joy, then  
Lord, help me to not compare my life  
today to my life 6 months ago. Help  
me find the joy in THIS life, and in  
THIS day and to know that it is from  
you, and it is enough. Amen.

-Nadia Bolz-Weber

## READINGS

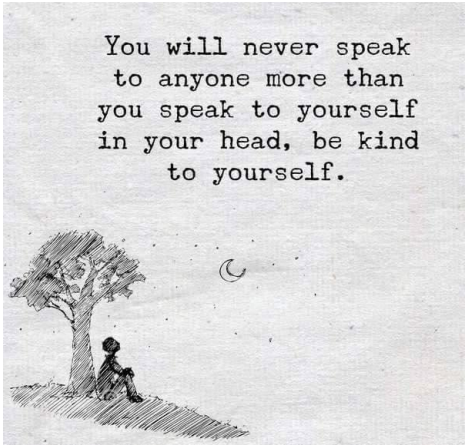
### TRINITY 7

#### **1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8** *The Passion Translation*

**2** My dear brothers and sisters, it's obvious that our ministry among you has proven to be fruitful. <sup>2</sup>And though we had already suffered greatly in Philippi, where we were shamefully mistreated, we were emboldened by faith in our God to

fearlessly preach his wonderful gospel to you in spite of incredible opposition.

<sup>3</sup>Our coming alongside you to encourage you was not out of some delusion, or impure motive, or an intention to mislead you, <sup>4</sup>but we have been approved by God to be those who preach the gospel. So our motivation to preach is not pleasing people but pleasing God, who thoroughly examines our hearts. <sup>5</sup>God is our witness that when we came to encourage you, we never once used cunning compliments as a pretext for greed, <sup>6</sup>nor did we crave the praises of men, whether you or others. <sup>7</sup>Even though we could have imposed upon you our demands as apostles of Christ, instead we showed you kindness and were gentle among you. We cared for you in the same way a nursing mother cares for her own children. <sup>8</sup>With a mother's love and affectionate attachment to you, we were very happy to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our lives—because you had become so dear to us.



## Luke 10: 1-11 *The Passion Translation*



**10** After this, the Lord Jesus formed thirty-five teams among the other disciples. Each team was two disciples, seventy in all, and he commissioned them to go ahead of him into every town he was about to visit. <sup>2</sup>He released them with these instructions:

“The harvest is huge and ripe. But there are not enough harvesters to bring it all in. As you go, plead with the Owner of the Harvest to drive out into his harvest fields many more workers. <sup>3</sup>Now, off you go! I am sending you out even though you feel as vulnerable as lambs going into a pack of wolves. <sup>4</sup>You won’t need to take anything with you—trust in God alone. And don’t get distracted from my purpose by anyone you might meet along the way.

<sup>5</sup>“Once you enter a house, speak to the people there and say, ‘God’s blessing of peace be upon this house!’ <sup>6</sup>If a lover of peace resides there, your peace will rest upon that household. But if you are rejected, your blessing of peace will come back upon you. <sup>7</sup>Don’t feel the need to shift from one house to another, but stay put in one home during your time in that city. Eat and drink whatever they serve you. Receive their hospitality, for you are my harvester, and you deserve to be cared for.

<sup>8</sup>“When you enter into a new town, and you have been welcomed by its people, follow these rules: Eat what is served you. <sup>9</sup>Then heal the sick, and tell them all, ‘God’s kingdom realm has arrived and is now within your reach!’ <sup>10</sup>But when you enter a city and they do not receive you, say to them publicly, <sup>11</sup>‘We wipe from our feet the very dust of your streets as a testimony before you! Understand this: God’s kingdom realm came within your reach and yet you have rejected God’s invitation!’”

## TRINITY 8

### Acts 2: 42-47 NRSV

<sup>42</sup>They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

### Matthew 14: 13-21 NRSV

<sup>13</sup> Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. <sup>15</sup> When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." <sup>17</sup> They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." <sup>18</sup> And he said, "Bring them here to me." <sup>19</sup> Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>20</sup> And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. <sup>21</sup> And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.





## **SITUATIONS VACANT & *brief summary of the duties***

### **Health and Safety Officer**

- You will be required to use your administrative gifts and work alongside Churchwardens and a health and safety professional to produce risk assessments and documents to enable the opening of our churches and the commencement of worship.

### **Safeguarding Administrator**

You will be responsible for the administration of all Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) applications. This will include:-

- Establishing the true identity of the applicant, through the examination of a range of identification;
- Checking and validating the information provided by the applicant on the application form;
- Ensuring the application form is fully completed and the information it contains is accurate.
- To keep accurate records of safeguarding training

### **Treasurer**

You will be required to be a trustee of the PCC and maintain the Bookkeeping System and Bank Accounts for this registered charity.

- Basic computer skills including the use of Microsoft Word and Excel Spreadsheets, E-mailing and an understanding of bookkeeping principles will be necessary but formal qualifications are not required.
- The position of Treasurer requires a commitment of up to 6 hours per week and full training will be given to ensure a smooth transition from the existing treasurer who is available to discuss the role with any interested person.

### **PCC Secretary**

- You will be required to have charge of all documents relating to the current business of the PCC, with the exception of the parish electoral roll.
- to keep the minutes and record all resolutions passed;

**If you are interested or feel encouraged to fill one of these roles, please contact Revd Rachel on [rector@wivertoninthevale.co.uk](mailto:rector@wivertoninthevale.co.uk).**

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30 JULY - 3 AUGUST 2020

*Breaks Out*



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- for teaching, worship and prayer ministry for all ages and abilities.

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## COLLECT

### TRINITY 7

Lord of all power and might,  
the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### TRINITY 8

Lord God,  
your Son left the riches of heaven  
and became poor for our sake:  
when we prosper save us from pride,  
when we are needy save us from despair,  
that we may trust in you alone;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**PRAYER MATTERS** *Please remember in your prayers this week:*

Lord, thank you for inviting us to your table and that you would come to eat with us too. Help us to be those who welcome and show hospitality to friends old and new, and to the stranger too.

We give thanks for:

- The greater freedom from restrictions and the loosening of lockdown
- Our own health and wellbeing.
- Laughter, humour and fun.
- Our ability to love and encourage one another.

We pray for:

- Your protection and comfort against the impact of a second wave.
- Those who are facing redundancy, uncertainty, and the loss of livelihoods.
- Our church leaders facing the challenges of navigating government regulations and church guidelines in order for our churches to open safely.
- Those who have joined the Alpha course. For good communication with each other and with you, and a growing sense of awareness of the Holy Spirit and the person of Jesus Christ and God the Father.
- Our schools; teachers, children and staff. As they break for the holidays may they find well deserved rest, relaxation, restoration and the energy and inspiration to look to returning to school in September.
- We pray for parents facing the challenges of childcare over the summer months as they return to work after lockdown.
- Business, both large and small, adjusting to the challenges of doing business in these challenging times.
- Our farmers and farm workers.
- Our health workers and key workers.

We remember;

- Those we know and love who are sick at this time in body, soul and mind.
- Those for whom we have been asked to pray and all who love them including Dick, John, Sarah and David. The family and loved ones of those who have died recently especially the family of Debbie Rowell.

Lord, in your mercy,  
hear our prayers.



**HOW CAN WE GIVE?** The Church of England receives no government funding other than some tax concessions, and our churches are dependent upon money given or raised locally to fund their ministry and upkeep, including heating, insurance and maintenance.

Since we are not able to host services, if you are not already contributing by standing order, this might be the right time for you to consider this.

*If you would like to find out more about this, or to change an existing order, please contact the Parish Treasurer in confidence, see below for details.*



### **KEEPING IN TOUCH; STAYING INFORMED**

These **notices** are posted week by week on the Parish website: [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk)

To receive a copy of these notices by email every Saturday, please subscribe to the website notification service at:

[www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/subscribe](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/subscribe)

### **KEY CONTACTS**

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*N.B Rachel's day off: Friday*

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#### **Safeguarding Officer**

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Any concerns regarding a safeguarding issue should be directed to the Safeguarding Coordinator for the Parish.

**Further information and contact details can be found on the parish website at [www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/whos-who](http://www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/whos-who)**